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SUBJ: ALGERIAN FLN FUNDS IN SWITZERLAND

REF: BERN 3522

1. WE SALUTE EMBASSY BERN ON ITS EXCELLENT 3522 WHICH EXPLAINS CLEARLY LATEST DEVELOPMENTS IN PROTRACTED, AND HIGHLY COMPLICATED, DISPUTE BETWEEN ALGERIA AND SWISS BANK IN WHICH THE LATE FLN LEADER MOHAMED KHIDER HAD DEPOSITED PARTY FUNDS.

2. WE ADD FOLLOWING POINTS:

A. DESPITE SPATE OF MATERIAL IN GOVT CONTROLLED PRESS ON EVILS OF SWISS BANKING, GOA HAS NOT REACTED OFFICIALLY TO ORDER FROM GENEVA CLAIMS COURT THAT ALGERIA PAY COURT COSTS TO BANK WHICH HAD HELD FLN FUNDS AND WHICH GOA HAD SUED. RELATIONS BETWEEN TWO COUNTRIES CONTINUE TO BE CORRECT IF NOT CORDIAL.

B. SWISS EMBASSY HERE BELIEVES THAT NEITHER GOA NOR MRS. KHIDER IS INTERESTED PER SE IN RECOVERING FUNDS FROM BANK. ALGERIA'S INTEREST IS IN ESTABLISHING PRINCIPLE THAT IT WAS WRONGED BY BANK,
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AND MRS. KHIDER WISHES SIMPLY TO PROVE THAT IT WAS ZOUHEIR MARDAM AND NOT HER HUSBAND WHO WAS INVOLVED IN FINANCIAL SHENANIGANS. SWISS HERE BELIEVE THAT, SHOULD MRS. KHIDER WIN HER SUIT AGAINST MARDAM, SHE WOULD BE WILLING TO HAVE ALGERIA RECOVER LOST FUNDS.

C. ALGERIANS WITH WHOM WE SPEAK UNANIMOUS IN DENOUNCING WHAT THEY CONSIDER UNDIPLOMATIC HANDLING OF AFFAIR BY SWISS GOVERNMENT. THEY INCENSED BY CLAIMS COURT ANNOUNCEMENT'S NAMING OF PRESIDENT

BOUMEDIENE IN ITS RECENT ORDER THAT COURT COSTS BE REPAID.
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